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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS. MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Electronic Bid Solicitations (EBS)

1. References:

- a. Memorandum, CEMP-EC, 20 May 1997, subject as above (enclosure 1)
- b. Memorandum, CEMP-EC, 19 May 1997, subject: General Accounting Office Decision on Issuance of Electronic Solicitations (enclosure 2)
- 2. In reference 1a, Military Programs set a target of 100 percent of all Military Construction Army (MCA) project bids in FY 98 to be in Electronic Bid Solicitations (EBS) format. Reference 1b provides a summary of a General Accounting Office (GAO) decision upholding the Government's right to issue solicitations in only electronic format. Based on the success to date of the EBS on our military construction projects and its acceptance by the GAO, I am setting implementation targets for the Civil Works Program.
- a. For FY 98 all construction projects over \$5M should be in EBS format, unless this will impact scheduled awards.
 - b. For FY 99 all construction projects over \$1M should be in EBS format.
- c. For FY 00 all construction projects, except the minor incidental projects with just a few drawings and a few pages of specifications, should be in EBS format.
- 3. For those districts with little or no experience with the EBS format, you may wish to contact someone from the EBS Working Group which consists of representatives from HQUSACE/CEMP-EC, Ft. Worth, Omaha, Mobile, and Sacramento Districts, and/or the Tri-Services CADD/GIS Technology Center. Technical questions should be directed to Mr. Elias Arredondo, CEWES-ID, (601) 634-3140. The HQs points of contact for policy and implementation issues are Mr. James Justin Taylor, CEMP-EC, (202)761-1246 and Mr. Charles Gregory, CEIM-IV, (202) 761-1813. The Civil Works point of contact is Mr. M.K. Miles, CECW-EP, (202) 761-8885.

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